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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 300-6-5

SUBJECT: LTP – WRP FUNDING PERIOD DEADLINE

**ACTION DUE BY: DECEMBER 30, 2005** 

<u>Purpose</u>. To collect WRP applications at the State Office.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2006.

NRCS in Minnesota will be receiving our initial allocation of Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) funding for FY-2006. Field offices have been submitting applications through the Area Offices to the State Offices since the last applications were funded. In order to complete a final ranking of applications and to make funding decisions, a December 30, 2005 deadline has been set.

Field offices should utilize the application checklist on the WRP webpage at <a href="http://www.mn.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/wrp/wrp\_application\_checklist.doc">http://www.mn.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/wrp/wrp\_application\_checklist.doc</a> and the Easement Ranking Worksheet on the WRP webpage at

http://www.mn.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/wrp/wrp%20ranking%20worksheet-04.doc. The Easement Ranking Worksheet was also transmitted in Amendment 39 to the Conservation Programs Manual, dated November 18, 2004. The Geographic Priority Score for Section IA of the Easement Ranking Worksheet can be obtained from the HAPET EXCEL spreadsheet which was sent on a CD to each Area Resource Conservationist. The DU and MWA agreement employees also have copies of this spreadsheet. If you need a copy, please contact your ARC, agreement employees or John Corrigan at the State Office

All completed applications should be submitted to your Area Office and then to the State office to John Corrigan by December 30, 2005. Applications received after December 30, 2005 will be considered for funding at a later time in FY-2006. Questions should be directed to your Area Office and then to John Corrigan at the State Office.

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